

REMARKS

Claims 3-15 remain in the application. Claims 1-2 and 16-20 have been canceled.

Responsive to the decision rendered by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, Applicant presents claim 3 in independent format by incorporating therein the limitations of claims 1 and 2, which have been canceled. Claims 6 and 8-15 have been amended to depend from claim 3.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits the referenced application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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